

Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Scott moved the following resolutions as a substitute for the preamble and order submitted by Mr. Hillen.

1st. *Resolved*, That the situation of the treasury calls loudly for retrenchment in every branch of the government.

2d. *Resolved*, That this House will not sanction any unnecessary expenditure of the public money.

3d. *Resolved*, That the committee of claims be directed to allow each member of committees appointed during the present session, to visit and inspect the Public Works and Institutions, a sum not exceeding seven dollars per day, (including their per diem) for their services as members of this house, and travelling and other expenses, during the time they may be employed on said committee.

Which having been read.

Mr. Handy moved to amend the substitute offered by Mr. Scott, by striking out the 3d resolution, and inserting in lieu thereof, the following.

*Resolved*, That the committee on claims be instructed to allow to all members appointed on committees to visit Public Works, their actual and reasonable expenses, in addition to their per diem, and no more.

Which was read.

Mr. Burchenal moved that the said preamble and order with the proposed substitute, be laid on the table.

Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Scott. the said preamble and order with the substitute proposed, were made the order of the day for Friday, the 17th inst.

On motion by Mr. Handy, the resolutions submitted by Mr. Sellman, on the 8th inst. relative to certain alterations and amendments to the constitution, were referred to the committee on the constitution.

Mr. Jones of Somerset, reported a bill, entitled, an act to provide for the appointment of certain commissioners, in Somerst county.

Mr Nicols reported a bill entitled, an act to condemn a lot of land, for the repairs of a public causeway, at Cratcher's Ferry, in Dorchester county.

And, Mr. Johns reported a bill, entitled, an act to appoint Mary Jordon, of Harford county, trustee, for the sale of certain land therein mentioned.

Which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Jones of Somerset, reported a bill, entitled, an act to amend the constitution and form of government, as it re-